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THE NAME'S FRANK BRANDON! AFTER 9 YEARS AS AN INTERPLANETARY REPORTER ON THE 'DAILY COSMOS,' I FIGURED I'D COVERED JUST ABOUT EVERY KIND OF STORY... THAT IS UNTIL I RAN UP AGAINST WHAT TURNED OUT TO BE THE MOST FANTASTIC ONE OF MY CAREER -- THE STORY KNOWN AS...

THE GHOST SHIP OF SPACE

ON AUGUST 18, 2705, THE REPORT CAME INTO INTER-GALACTIC SPACE HEADQUARTERS! IT WAS THE THIRD ONE THAT MONTH...

PATROL SHIP, "JUPITER 87X," CALLING HEADQUARTERS! WE'VE JUST SIGHTED THE **GHOST SHIP!!** WE'RE GOING **AFTER** HER!!

GINNOTT

O.K., BEN! BUT BE CAREFUL! WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANY **MORE** PATROL SHIPS!

AN HOUR PASSED...

THE GHOST SHIP IS ENTERING GRAVITATIONAL FIELD-3708... WE'RE GOING INTO IT, TOO!

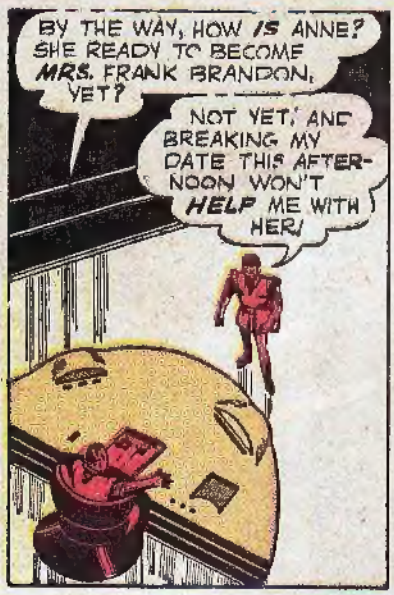
SIR -- WE -- WE'VE **LOST CONTACT** WITH THEM!!

IMPOSSIBLE!

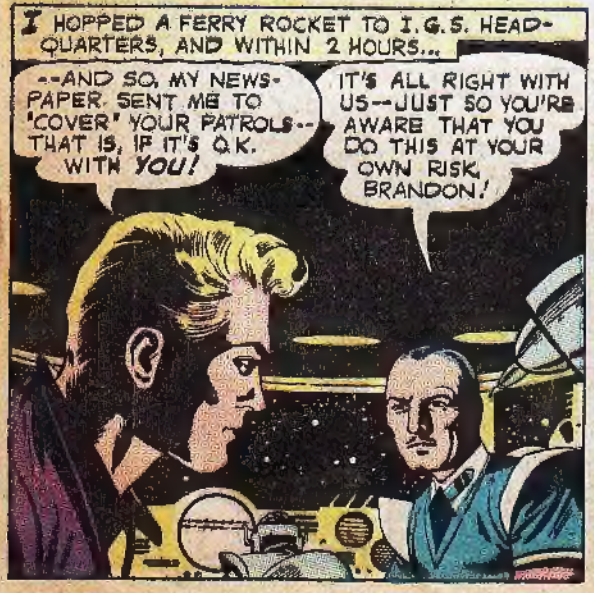
THE NEXT DAY THE UNIVERSE HEARD THIS NEWS...
GOODNESS! ANOTHER ONE!
THAT'S THE THIRD SHIP THAT'S VANISHED THIS MONTH!
THIS IS TERRIBLE! CAN'T THE AUTHORITIES DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT?
ANOTHER PATROL SHIP DISAPPEARS... WHILE IN PURSUIT OF FLYING "GHOST SHIP"...

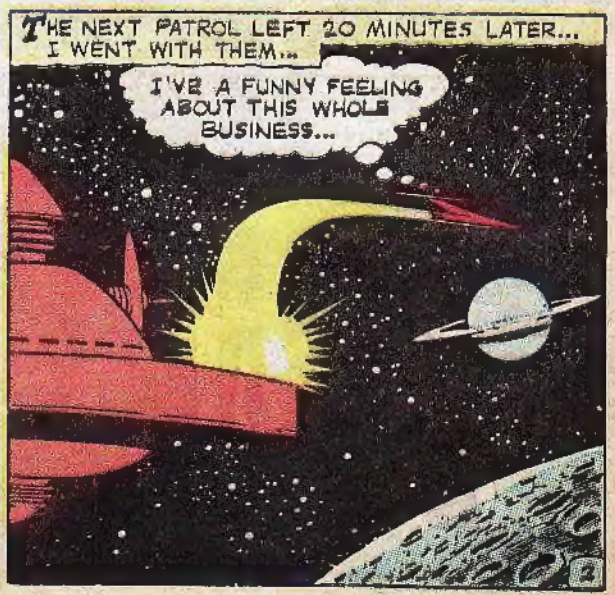
THAT AFTERNOON, MY EDITOR CALLED ME INTO HIS OFFICE...
FRANK, THIS "GHOST SHIP" COULD BE THE BIGGEST STORY OF THE YEAR! I WANT ONE OF MY MEN TO START GOING ALONG ON THOSE PATROLS--AND YOU'RE THE ONE!
YOU LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!

BUT BOSS--I WAS PLANNING ON SEEING ANNE LATER THIS AFTERNOON!
UH HUH--THE "GHOST" STORY COMES FIRST!
DAILY COSMIC


BY THE WAY, HOW IS ANNE? SHE READY TO BECOME MRS. FRANK BRANDON, YET?
NOT YET, AND BREAKING MY DATE THIS AFTERNOON WON'T HELP ME WITH HER!

I'VE BEEN LAUNCHING A FULL SCALE OFFENSIVE! EVEN BRINGING TOYS TO HER KID BROTHER!
HA, HA! GOOD LUCK!! NOW, BEAT 'T! AND GET ON THAT STORY RIGHT AWAY!!

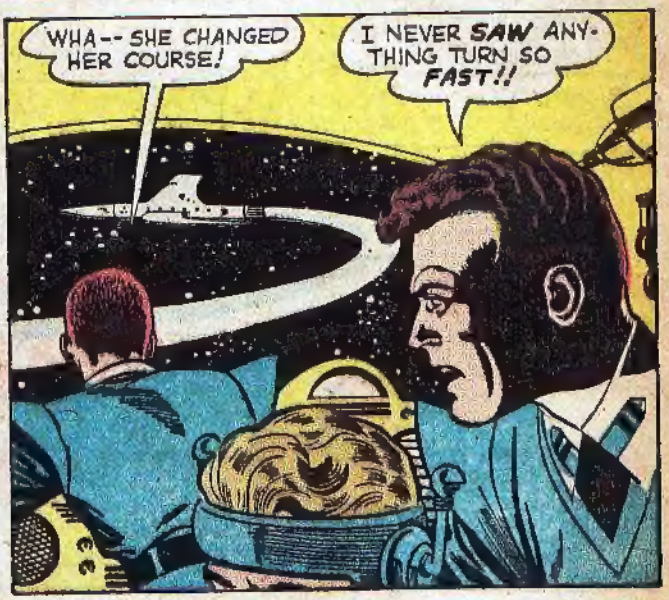

I HOPPED A FERRY ROCKET TO I.G.S. HEADQUARTERS, AND WITHIN 2 HOURS...
--AND SO, MY NEWSPAPER SENT ME TO "COVER" YOUR PATROLS--THAT IS, IF IT'S O.K. WITH YOU!
IT'S ALL RIGHT WITH US--JUST SO YOU'RE AWARE THAT YOU DO THIS AT YOUR OWN RISK, BRANDON!


THE NEXT PATROL LEFT 20 MINUTES LATER... I WENT WITH THEM...
I'VE A FUNNY FEELING ABOUT THIS WHOLE BUSINESS...

WE HAD HARDLY ENTERED DEEP SPACE, WHEN...
LOOK--THERE SHE IS! THE GHOST SHIP!!

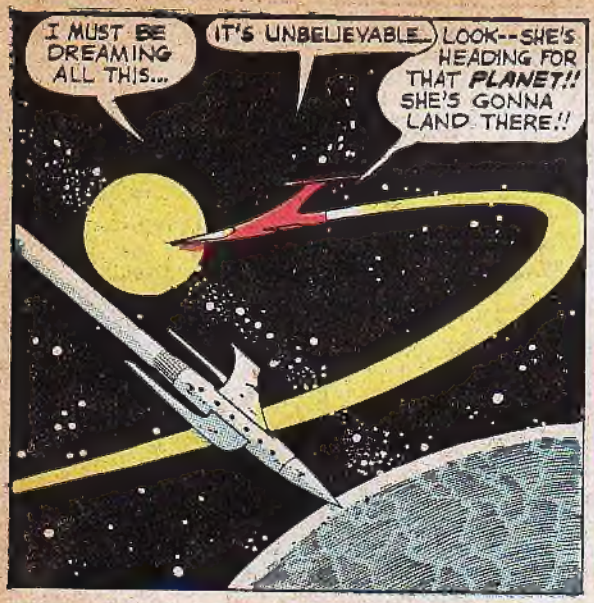
WE TOOK UP THE CHASE...
I.G.S. HEADQUARTERS... I.G.S. HEADQUARTERS... THIS IS PATROL SHIP "SATURN 93Y"... COME IN, HEADQUARTERS...
BOY, SHE'S A CREEPY-LOOKIN' THING! JUST LIKE THOSE GUYS REPORTED!
SHE MOVES FAST FOR AN OLD SHIP!

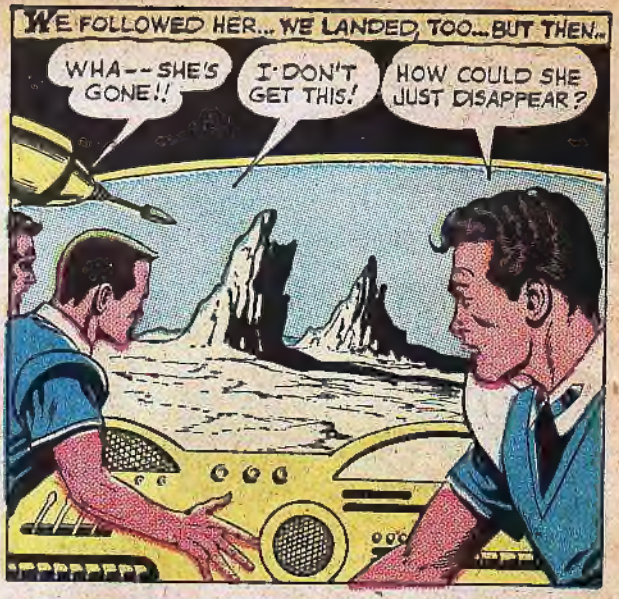
KEEP FOLLOWING HER, SMITTY! BUT--BE CAREFUL!!


WHA--SHE CHANGED HER COURSE!
I NEVER SAW ANYTHING TURN SO FAST!!

SHE'S COMING IN FRONT OF US!! WE CAN'T SWERVE AWAY IN TIME--WE'RE GONNA RAM HER!!!

GREAT SCOTT!! WE WENT RIGHT THROUGH HER!!
SHE REALLY IS A GHOST SHIP!


I MUST BE DREAMING ALL THIS...
IT'S UNBELIEVABLE...
LOOK--SHE'S HEADING FOR THAT PLANET!! SHE'S GONNA LAND THERE!!


WE FOLLOWED HER... WE LANDED, TOO... BUT THEN..
WHA--SHE'S GONE!!
I DON'T GET THIS!
HOW COULD SHE JUST DISAPPEAR?

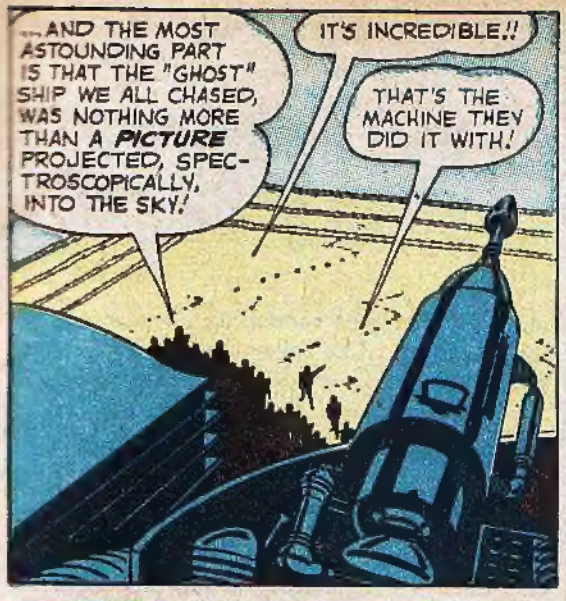
AND WHEN WE DESCENDED FROM THE SPACE SHIP...
OH, OH--TROUBLE!!
WE'VE WALKED INTO A TRAP!!
WE WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE IN THE UNIVERSE, IF WE SHOT IT OUT WITH THEM!

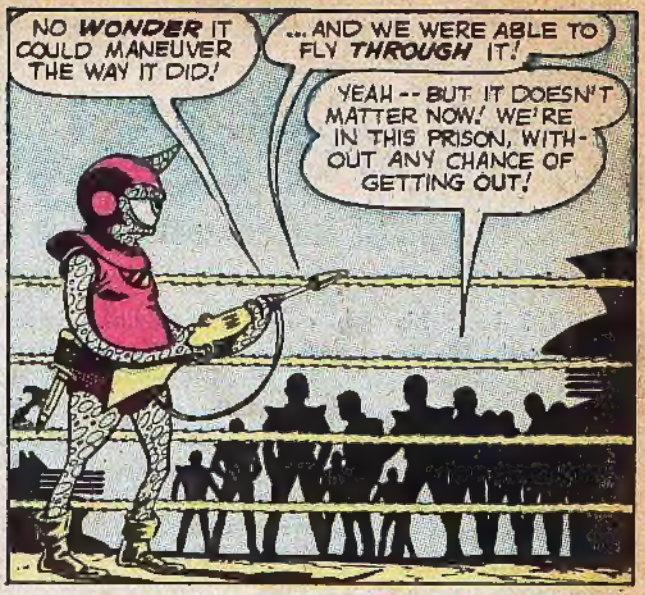
THEY'RE COMMUNICATING WITH US... TELEPATHICALLY!!
YOU WILL FOLLOW US!
WE'D BETTER DO AS THEY SAY! THEY'RE HOLDING ALL THE CARDS!

SLOWLY, NERVOUSLY, WE FOLLOWED THEM...
WHERE ARE THEY TAKING US?
I DON'T KNOW--BUT YOU CAN BET WE'LL SOON FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THOSE OTHER PATROLS!

WE HAD WALKED ABOUT A MILE AND A HALF, WHEN...
LOOK, IT'S SOME KINDA COMPOUND--A PRISON COMPOUND!!
AND THERE ARE THE GUYS!! HEY--BEN! CHARLIE!!

WE ALSO, WERE PUT INTO THE COMPOUND...
... AND THE INHABITANTS OF THIS PLANET HAVEN'T YET LEARNED HOW TO BUILD AN INTERPLANETARY SPACE SHIP!
SO THEY DEVISED THIS SCHEME AS A MEANS OF STEALING ROCKET SHIPS--FOR THE PURPOSE OF STUDYING THEM!


...AND THE MOST ASTOUNDING PART IS THAT THE "GHOST" SHIP WE ALL CHASED, WAS NOTHING MORE THAN A PICTURE PROJECTED, SPECTROSCOPICALLY, INTO THE SKY!
IT'S INCREDIBLE!!
THAT'S THE MACHINE THEY DID IT WITH!


NO WONDER IT COULD MANEUVER THE WAY IT DID!
...AND WE WERE ABLE TO FLY THROUGH IT!
YEAH -- BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER NOW! WE'RE IN THIS PRISON, WITHOUT ANY CHANCE OF GETTING OUT!

HEY! YOU JOKERS!! I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THESE GUYS, BUT I'M SURE NOT GONNA STAY HERE--ROTTING AWAY IN A PRISON --

YOU EITHER SET US ALL FREE--OR I'LL DROP THIS HYPERCOBALT BOMB, AND BLOW THIS WHOLE PLANET OUTTA THE UNIVERSE!!

GOOD GRIEF!! HE'S NOT KIDDING!!
HEY, YOU GUYS! YOU'D BETTER DO WHAT HE SAYS!!
HE COULD BLOW US ALL TO KINGDOM COME!!

FORTUNATELY, THE ALIENS DIDN'T WANT A SPACE SHIP BADLY ENOUGH TO RISK GETTING BLOWN TO BITS FOR IT--SO, WITHIN A SHORT WHILE...
BOY-- AM I GLAD TO GET OUTTA THERE!!
YOU CAN SAY THAT, AGAIN!!

BY THE WAY, THAT WAS SOME TRICK, BRANDON! WHAT MADE YOU THINK OF IT?
I FIGURED ANY PEOPLE WHO COULDN'T BUILD A ROCKET SHIP, WOULDN'T KNOW A TOY NUCLEAR COMPASS WHEN THEY SAW IT!
HOW'D YOU HAPPEN TO HAVE ONE WITH YOU?
IT'S JUST A PRESENT FOR MY GIRL FRIEND'S KID BROTHER! I WAS GONNA TAKE IT TO HIM-- BUT I HAD TO COVER THIS STORY, FIRST!
THE END

MYSTERY PUPIL

COLIN took his job quite seriously. He was one of the best teachers in the school. It was for this reason that the principal, Mr. Plum, called him into his office that afternoon.

"I have just received news that we're going to take on a new pupil," Plum explained. "His parents have been traveling about for years, and the youngster, unfortunately, has not had any formal schooling to speak of. Take a look at his record. I just received it in the mail today."

Colin put on his glasses and took the record in his hands. To his dismay he saw that this new pupil whose last name was Mune, was far behind! The youngster had no training in spelling, arithmetic, or history. In fact, despite the fact that young Mune's age qualified him for the upper grades, he couldn't have fitted in anywhere.

"Poor lad," Colin sympathized. "I really don't know how he's going to catch up."

"If it weren't that I have such confidence in your ability as a teacher, I never would have accepted the boy as a student here," Plum confessed. "Another reason is because I have a very good heart, and I am terribly kind . . ."

Plum hesitated and lowered his eyes as he told this flattering truth about himself.

"Oh, but you do. Indeed you do," agreed Colin hastily.

"Then it's easy for you to understand how I felt when the child's parents pleaded with me to help them. They felt that it was only at Bright School . . ."

At the mention of the name of their school, the two men automatically jumped to attention and bowed their heads reverently.

"May the lights of Bright never dim," sang Colin faithfully.

"Hear, hear!" echoed Plum. "So as I was saying, the parents felt that only Bright would be right, Bright would be best, Bright would shine better than all of the rest in giving their son a complete education."

"I can do a solid job," Colin admitted.

"Solid?" asked Plum, furrowing his brows in confusion. "Dear me, you young teachers are so advanced in your language. You modern fellows are . . . how would you say . . . on the sphere."

"On the ball," Colin corrected politely.

"Very well, Colin. Young Mune will report to you before classes tomorrow morning. Good luck! And remember . . . do what's right for Bright!"

When Colin returned to his room that evening, the landlady's daughter was sitting on the porch. Her hair was the color of buttercups, thought Colin appreciatively. He longed to be able to say something flattering like this to her, but he was shy.

"How are you, Gertrude?" asked Colin with a blush. "I was just thinking would you like to go . . . would you like . . ."

"To go where?" asked Gertrude, hoping that Colin would suggest something adventurous . . . like roller skating.

"To go to the museum and do some research with me for my history book."

"Dear me," Gertrude sighed. "I like you, but sometimes I think you're an awful square."

Colin brightened. "Square?" he repeated. "Does that have anything to do with trigonometry?"

He couldn't understand why Gertrude looked angry.

"Colin, unless you do something dashing and romantic, I will have to break our engagement. You must think of something before the week is over. It will be up to you to prove to me that you can do something bold and daring . . . something that will prove to me that you should be the one to have my hand in marriage."

The lights in Colin's eyes flickered and dimmed with despair. His shoulders drooped as he slunk into his room to meditate.

"It is useless," he thought, looking at himself in the mirror. "I am only a poor teacher, devoted to my profession. My superior, old Mr. Plum, thinks I'm dashing, but to Gertrude I'm a fizzle. I have as much sparkle in me as an old glass of soda water."

Sadly, Colin took out his books. Despite his personal sorrow, he must be brave and relentless for his task the next day. Young Mune and his parents were counting on him. Plum was counting on him. His duty must come even before his selfish interests.

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THE CREATURES IN THE VOLCANO

THE TALE GRANDFATHER TOLD, TOOK PLACE MANY YEARS AGO--WHEN HE WAS A YOUNG MAN... IT WAS 14 MOONS AFTER HIS FATHER HAD DIED AND HE HAD BEEN MADE THE CHIEF OF HIS PEOPLE... IT WAS THE HAPPY SUMMER OF 1953...

I LOVE MY PEOPLE AND THIS ISLAND VERY MUCH, MAUIKI! I HOPE I WILL NOT FAIL THEM IN MY DUTIES--THAT I WILL RULE THEM AS WISELY AS MY FATHER DID!

YOU ARE YOUNG--AND STRONG--AND YOU HAVE YOUR FATHER'S WISDOM! YOU WILL LEAD US *WELL*, TUBUAI!

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THE ISLAND THAT WAS MY GRANDFATHER'S HOME, WAS A VOLCANIC ISLAND--AND EVERY 85 YEARS, WHEN THE VOLCANO ERUPTED, THE PEOPLE SAILED AWAY--UNTIL THE RAGING EARTH HAD SPENT ITSELF, AND THEY COULD RETURN...

WE WILL GO TO OUR FRIENDS ON ONO-I-LAU ISLAND!

THE NEXT ERUPTION WAS NOT DUE FOR 32 YEARS... HOWEVER, AS MY GRANDFATHER AND MAUIKI WALKED ALONG THE SOUTHERN STRETCH OF THE ISLAND...

WHA-WHAT'S THAT...?

THE GROUND IS TREMBLING!

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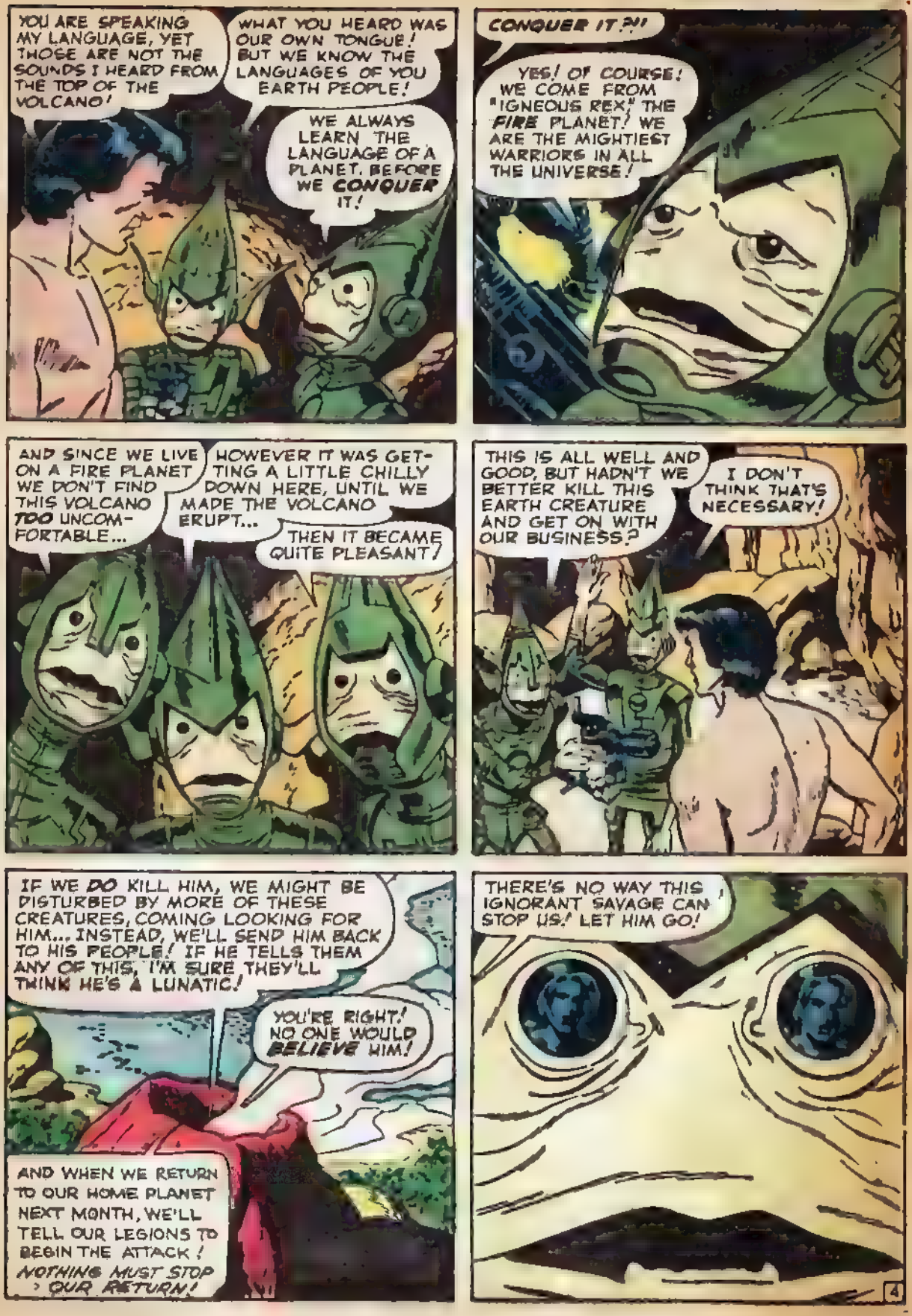
QUICKLY--WE MUST LEAVE THE ISLAND! MAUIKI, GO DOWN TO THE BOATS! I'LL RUN TO THE VILLAGE!
YES, TUBUAI!
HURRY!! WE HAVEN'T MUCH TIME!
IT'S ERUPTING!!
KEEP ROWING! HEAD FOR ONO-I-LAU ISLAND!
TWO WEEKS LATER, THEY BADE GOODBYE TO THE PEOPLE OF ONO-I-LAU, AND SAILED FOR HOME...
WE'LL SOON BE HOME!
IT WILL BE GOOD TO AGAIN FISH IN OUR OWN WATERS--TO SWIM IN OUR OWN LAGOON!
BUT WHEN THEY REACHED HOME, GRANDFATHER DID AN ODD THING...
MAUIKI, HELP THE PEOPLE GET SETTLED--I WILL JOIN YOU LATER!
THAT VOLCANIC ERUPTION WAS NOT A NATURAL ONE!
I WILL NOT REST UNTIL I HAVE LEARNED WHAT CAUSED IT!
WHEN GRANDFATHER REACHED THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN...
WHAT ARE THOSE NOISES??
THERE IS SOMETHING DOWN BELOW... INSIDE THE WORLD!

THOSE SOUNDS! THEY ARE VOICES--LIKE PEOPLE SPEAKING! BUT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND THE LANGUAGE!
FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HIS LIFE, GRANDFATHER WAS AFRAID! BUT HE WAS NOW CHIEF OF HIS PEOPLE--AND HE KNEW WHAT HE HAD TO DO...
I MUST TRY TO FIND OUT WHO THEY ARE... AND WHAT THEY ARE!
FURTHER AND FURTHER INTO THE BOWEL OF THE MOUNTAIN, GRANDFATHER DESCENDED...
I MUST BE CAREFUL--THIS VOLCANO IS STILL VERY HOT...
DOWN AND DOWN HE WENT, UNTIL SUDDENLY...
THAT IS FAR ENOUGH, EARTHLING!
A DEMON!!
W-WHO ARE YOU?
NEVER MIND WHO I AM! JUST SLOWLY MOVE TO THIS LEDGE AND FOLLOW ME OR I WILL NOT HESITATE TO KILL YOU!
GRANDFATHER WAS SO STRICKEN, HE COULD HARDLY MOVE... SLOWLY, CAUTIOUSLY, HE FOLLOWED THE STRANGE CREATURE THROUGH A PASSAGEWAY INTO THE MOUNTAIN...
KEEP MOVING, EARTHLING
I HAVE NEVER SEEN YOUR LIKE BEFORE!
I CAUGHT THIS EARTHLING--HE WAS FOOLISHLY CLIMBING DOWN INTO THE VOLCANO
WELL... COME CLOSER, EARTHLING--AND LET US HAVE A LOOK AT YOU!


YOU ARE SPEAKING MY LANGUAGE, YET THOSE ARE NOT THE SOUNDS I HEARD FROM THE TOP OF THE VOLCANO!
WHAT YOU HEARD WAS OUR OWN TONGUE! BUT WE KNOW THE LANGUAGES OF YOU EARTH PEOPLE!
WE ALWAYS LEARN THE LANGUAGE OF A PLANET, BEFORE WE CONQUER IT!
CONQUER IT?!!
YES! OF COURSE! WE COME FROM "IGNEOUS REX," THE FIRE PLANET! WE ARE THE MIGHTIEST WARRIORS IN ALL THE UNIVERSE!
AND SINCE WE LIVE ON A FIRE PLANET WE DON'T FIND THIS VOLCANO TOO UNCOMFORTABLE...
HOWEVER IT WAS GETTING A LITTLE CHILLY DOWN HERE, UNTIL WE MADE THE VOLCANO ERUPT...
THEN IT BECAME QUITE PLEASANT!
THIS IS ALL WELL AND GOOD, BUT HADN'T WE BETTER KILL THIS EARTH CREATURE AND GET ON WITH OUR BUSINESS?
I DON'T THINK THAT'S NECESSARY!
IF WE DO KILL HIM, WE MIGHT BE DISTURBED BY MORE OF THESE CREATURES, COMING LOOKING FOR HIM... INSTEAD, WE'LL SEND HIM BACK TO HIS PEOPLE! IF HE TELLS THEM ANY OF THIS, I'M SURE THEY'LL THINK HE'S A LUNATIC!
YOU'RE RIGHT! NO ONE WOULD BELIEVE HIM!
AND WHEN WE RETURN TO OUR HOME PLANET NEXT MONTH, WE'LL TELL OUR LEGIONS TO BEGIN THE ATTACK! NOTHING MUST STOP OUR RETURN!
THERE'S NO WAY THIS IGNORANT SAVAGE CAN STOP US! LET HIM GO!
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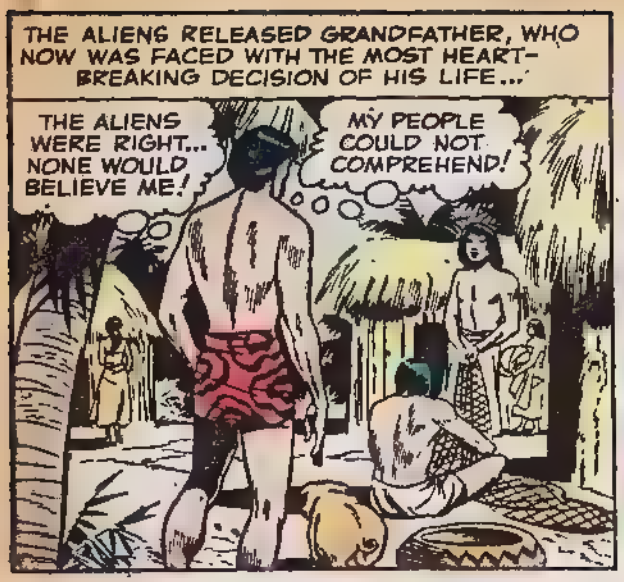
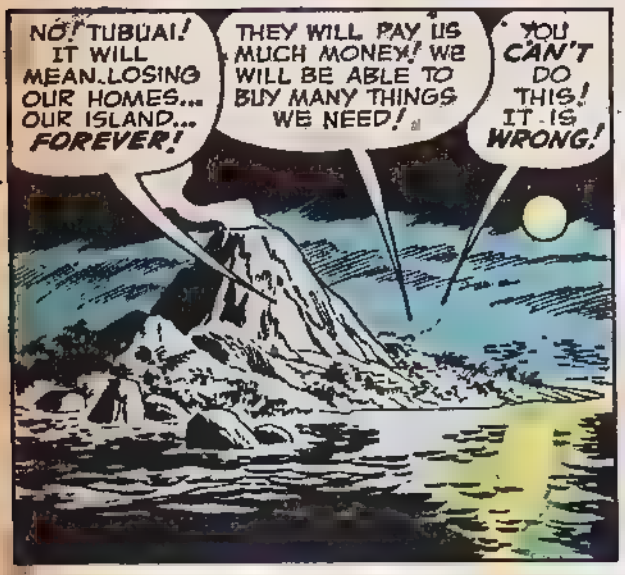
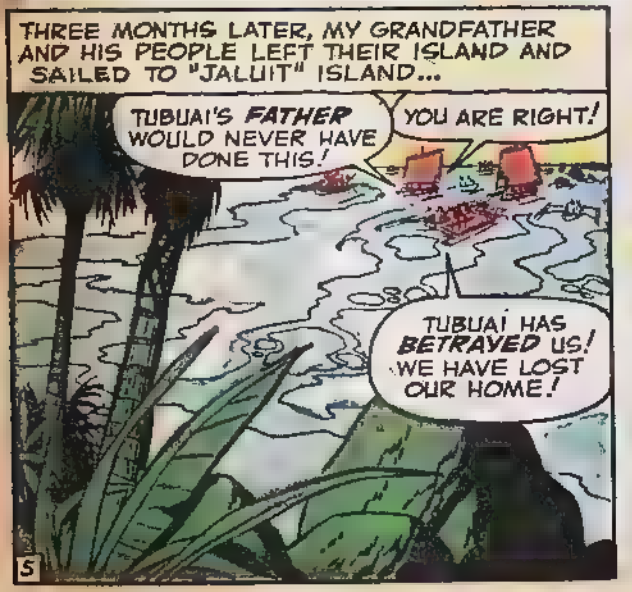

THE ALIENS RELEASED GRANDFATHER, WHO NOW WAS FACED WITH THE MOST HEART-BREAKING DECISION OF HIS LIFE...
THE ALIENS WERE RIGHT... NONE WOULD BELIEVE ME!
MY PEOPLE COULD NOT COMPREHEND!

HE CALLED A COUNCIL THAT NIGHT-- BUT TOLD NO-ONE ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN THE VOLCANO...
I HAVE DECIDED THAT WE WILL ACCEPT THE OFFER MADE TO US MANY MOONS AGO BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES!


NO! TUBUAI! IT WILL MEAN LOSING OUR HOMES... OUR ISLAND... FOREVER!
THEY WILL PAY US MUCH MONEY! WE WILL BE ABLE TO BUY MANY THINGS WE NEED!
YOU CAN'T DO THIS! IT IS WRONG!

THIS ISLAND IS OUR HOME! WE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE IT!
WE CAN DO WITHOUT THE THINGS THAT MONEY CAN BUY!
I AM THE CHIEF! I HAVE DECIDED-- AND THAT IS FINAL!!!


THREE MONTHS LATER, MY GRANDFATHER AND HIS PEOPLE LEFT THEIR ISLAND AND SAILED TO "JALUIT" ISLAND...
TUBUAI'S FATHER WOULD NEVER HAVE DONE THIS!
YOU ARE RIGHT!
TUBUAI HAS BETRAYED US! WE HAVE LOST OUR HOME!
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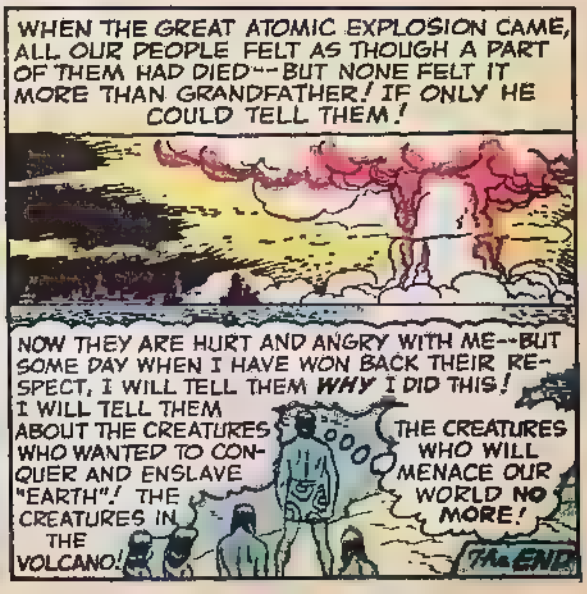
WHEN THE GREAT ATOMIC EXPLOSION CAME, ALL OUR PEOPLE FELT AS THOUGH A PART OF THEM HAD DIED-- BUT NONE FELT IT MORE THAN GRANDFATHER! IF ONLY HE COULD TELL THEM!
NOW THEY ARE HURT AND ANGRY WITH ME--BUT SOME DAY WHEN I HAVE WON BACK THEIR RESPECT, I WILL TELL THEM WHY I DID THIS!
I WILL TELL THEM ABOUT THE CREATURES WHO WANTED TO CONQUER AND ENSLAVE "EARTH"! THE CREATURES IN THE VOLCANO!
THE CREATURES WHO WILL MENACE OUR WORLD NO MORE!
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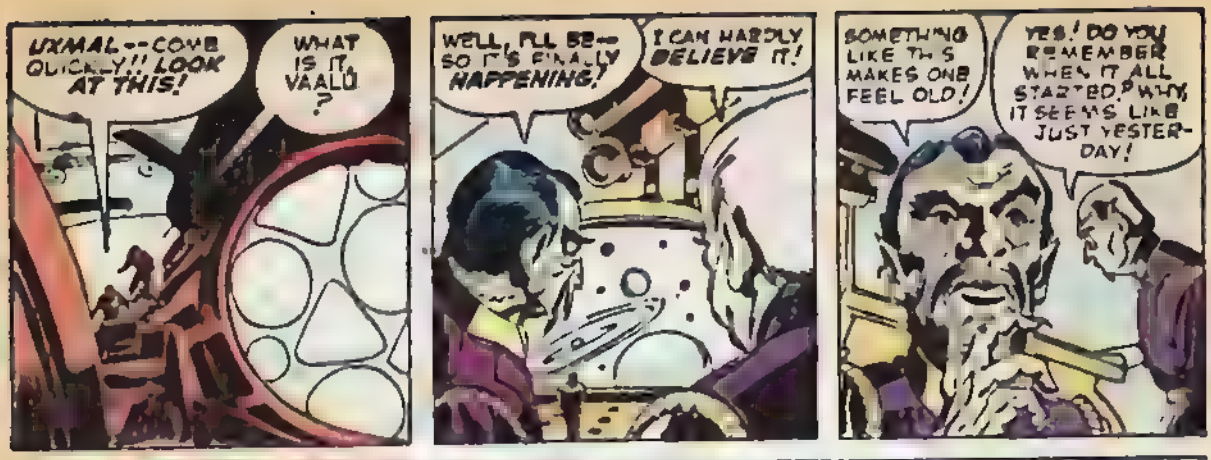
UXMAL--COME QUICKLY!! LOOK AT THIS!
WHAT IS IT, VAALU?
WELL, I'LL BE--SO IT'S FINALLY HAPPENING!
I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT!
SOMETHING LIKE THIS MAKES ONE FEEL OLD!
YES! DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN IT ALL STARTED? WHY, IT SEEMS LIKE JUST YESTERDAY!

IT BEGAN TWO MILLION YEARS AGO... THE FIRST SPACE SHIP JERKILY LANDING ON THE YOUNG, PRIMITIVE OXYGEN-WATER PLANET... THE PRISONERS WERE ORDERED OUT OF THE SHIP... THEY DESCENDED TO THE GROUND--WITHOUT ANY WEAPONS, TOOLS, OR PROVISIONS... AND THEY JUST STOOD THERE, AS THOUGH PETRIFIED, AS THE SPACE SHIP TOOK OFF, AND MELTED INTO THE EMPTY, ENCIRCLING VOID... AS THEY SLOWLY GREW MORE AND MORE AWARE THAT THEY WERE NOW GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF THEIR LIVES ON...

THE PRISON PLANET!

WHEN THE CHILL OF REALIZATION SETTLED THEY BEGAN TO FEEL THE FIRST SMALL STIRRINGS OF HOPE
THIS IS A TEMPERATE AND HABITABLE PLANET! MAYBE WE WILL BE ABLE TO SURVIVE HERE!
IT WON'T BE EASY, BUT WE CAN DO IT!
IN THE MONTHS THAT FOLLOWED THE CONDEMNED COLONY SLOWLY--PAINFULLY BECAME ORIENTED TO ITS NEW AND PRIMITIVE WAY OF LIFE...
AND IN THE FUTURE, WE CANNOT STAY SO CLOSE TOGETHER! THE LAST QUAKE ALMOST DESTROYED US ALL!
THEY WERE NOW PART OF THE FORMIDABLE AND RUTHLESS FORCES OF NATURE--PITTING THEIR PROUD MINDS AGAINST THE CRUEL PRIMORDIAL ENVIRONMENT--IN A CONSTANT STRUGGLE FOR EXISTENCE...
HURRY! THERE'S NO TIME TO LOSE!
LOOK OUT! HE'S GOING TO TURN AGAIN!
I'VE NEVER SEEN ONE THIS BIG!
DURING THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS, SPACE SHIPS FROM THE "MOTHER" PLANET WERE A FAMILIAR SIGHT...BRINGING MORE AND MORE PRISONERS TO THE EVER-GROWING COLONY--BUT NEVER TAKING ANYONE BACK...
ANOTHER ADDITION TO OUR COLONY!
THEY'LL HAVE TO SETTLE IN THE SOUTHWEST AREA!
IN THE CENTURIES THAT FOLLOWED, HOWEVER, THE SHIPS CAME LESS AND LESS FREQUENTLY...UNTIL FINALLY, THEY DIDN'T COME AT ALL...

IN A UNIVERSE THAT IS EVER-MOVING-- EVER-CHANGING, NOTHING ESCAPES THE EFFECTS OF TIME. WHILE THE PRISON COLONY WAS GROWING, CHANGES WERE ALSO OCCURRING ON THE MOTHER PLANET...
BOY, MARTHA--THIS IS WONDERFUL! MODERN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SURE MAKE THINGS EASIER FOR US THESE DAYS!
YES, SAM -- WE CERTAINLY ARE LUCKY!
IT BECAME A PLANET OF PLENTY! PLENTY OF FOOD! PLENTY OF MACHINES! AND THEREFORE PLENTY OF LEISURE! EVERYBODY WAS CONTENTED, AND A MAN WOULD HAVE TO BE INSANE TO COMMIT A CRIMINAL ACT!
--AND ALL POLICE FORCES ARE HEREBY DE-ACTIVATED INDEFINITELY!
BUT EVERYTHING HAS A PRICE, INCLUDING "UTOPIA"! HAVING HAD ALL THEIR NEEDS AND WANTS SATISFIED, THE INHABITANTS OF THE MOTHER PLANET GREW SOFTER AND SOFTER--UNTIL...
WE WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE PLUNDERING THIS PLANET!
THEY WILL BE LIKE FRUIT, RIPE FOR THE PLUCKING!
LET NONE ESCAPE! WE WILL TAKE THEM ALL PRISONERS, AND BRING THEM TO OUR HOME PLANET!
THE ATTACK WAS BRIEF.. AND WHEN IT WAS ALL OVER--WHAT HAD BEEN A VENERABLE CIVILIZATION, WAS REDUCED TO A WASTE LAND... AND FOR TEN THOUSAND CENTURIES IT REMAINED IN THAT BARREN STATE...
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IT'S WONDERFUL TO SEE THINGS GROW--ISN'T IT, MY SON?
YES, FATHER!
THIS CELL TISSUE IS UNLIKE THE OTHERS!
THEY EVEN MANAGED TO CONTROL THE TURBULENT NATURE WITHIN THEMSELVES!
AND PLANETARY PEACE IS OUR FIRST--AND IF NECESSARY, ONLY AIM!
FINALLY THEY STARTED WORK ON THEIR MOST AMBITIOUS UNDERTAKING!
IF WE SUCCEED WITH THIS, IT WILL BE GREATER THAN ANYTHING EVER ACCOMPLISHED!!
IT'S ALMOST TOO FANTASTIC TO CONCEIVE!
THEY WORKED DILIGENTLY FOR MANY YEARS AND NOW THEY'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL! THEY'VE BUILT IT!
THERE IT GOES! THE FIRST ROCKET SHIP TO EXPLORE THE OTHER PLANETS OF THEIR SOLAR SYSTEM!
I WONDER, UXMAL... WHEN THEY LAND ON THEIR "MOTHER" PLANET--DO YOU THINK THEY'LL KNOW--WILL THEY SOMEHOW SENSE--THAT THE PLANET MARS WAS ONCE THE HOME OF THE PRISON PLANET... THE PLANET EARTH!!!
THE END

THE SPACE-SHIP WAS FIRST SIGHTED OVER NEW MEXICO...
TRAVELLING AT INCREDIBLE SPEED, THE ROCKET SOON LANDED ON LONG ISLAND...
BY THE TIME IT REACHED CHICAGO, IT HAD OUTRUN 17 SQUADRONS OF THE AIR DEFENSE COMMAND...
NEVER SAW ANYTHING MOVING SO FAST!
MARY! LOOK AT THAT! IT MUST BE A-A SPACE SHIP!!
SLOWLY THE HATCH DOOR OPENED, AND WITH A SUDDEN AWKWARD THRUST, THERE DROPPED TO EARTH THE MOST FANTASTIC CREATURE THIS WORLD HAD EVER SEEN...
ALIEN ON EARTH!
GOOD GRIEF! -LOOK AT THAT!!
I MUST BE HAVING A NIGHTMARE!!
IT'S UNBELIEVABLE!
WHERE CAN IT HAVE COME FROM?!?!

OH—MY EARS!
WHAT DO THOSE HORRIBLE SOUNDS MEAN?
WHAT'S HE DOING?
HE MUST BE IN PAIN!
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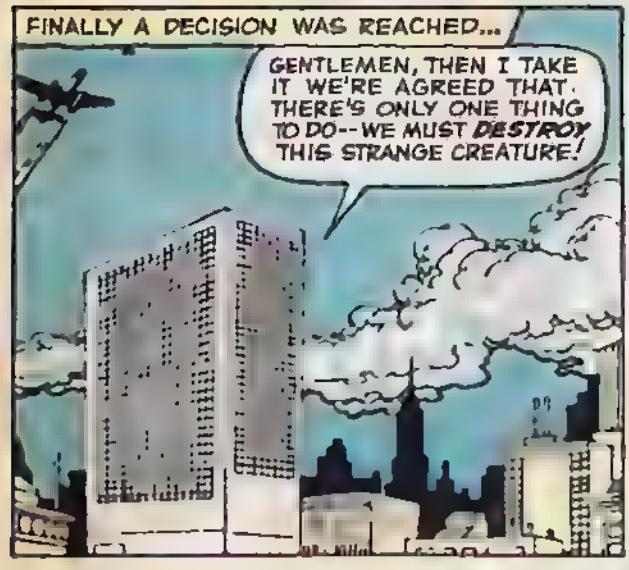
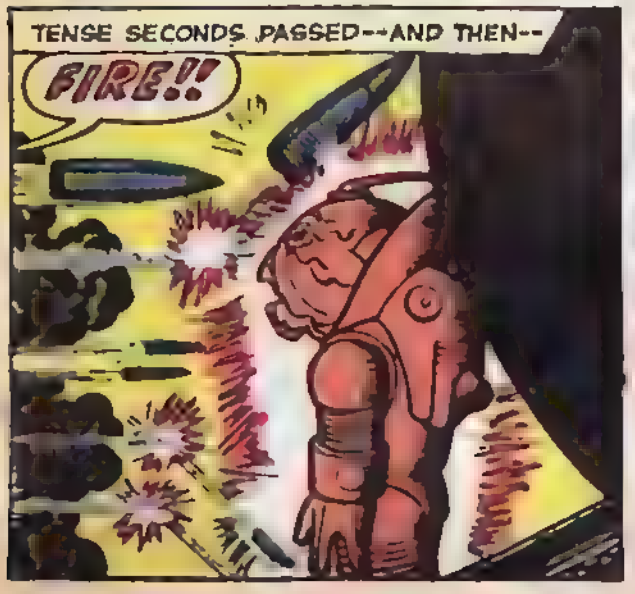
MAYBE SPEAKING TO US
THAT COULDN'T BE A LANGUAGE!
HEY—HERE COMES THE ARMY!!
WITHIN AN HOUR...
HAS HE TRIED TO ATTACK ANYBODY YET?
WHAT A STORY!
NOT YET—BUT YOU CAN'T TELL WHEN HE MIGHT!
BOY! I CAN JUST IMAGINE WHAT'S GOING ON ALL OVER THE WORLD RIGHT NOW!
...AND WE THINK THIS "ALIEN CREATURE" IS NOTHING MORE THAN A TRICK BY OUR OPPONENTS IN THE COLD WAR!
A DEAD BODY FROM OUTER SPACE? IT MAKES ME TREMBLE!
YOU ARE RIGHT—WHO KNOWS WHAT SINISTER DESIGNS HE HAS
WHY ARE THEY SHOOTING BORISOV?
HE WAS THE "INTELLIGENCE" OFFICER! HE
...AND THE ARRIVAL OF THE ALIEN IS CREATING A TURMOIL THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE WORLD!

THE ADVENT OF THE ALIEN CREATURE WAS DISCUSSED IN THE UNITED NATIONS...
WE DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION OF THIS LATEST DECADENT CAPITALISTIC TRICK!!
WE TOO WANT AN INVESTIGATION! WE'RE SURE THIS "ALIEN CREATURE" COMES FROM BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN!

YOU BETTER REMEMBER-- WE HAVE HYDROGEN BOMBS!!
AND MISSILES!
WE HAVE THEM, TOO!


FINALLY A DECISION WAS REACHED...
GENTLEMEN, THEN I TAKE IT WE'RE AGREED THAT THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO--WE MUST DESTROY THIS STRANGE CREATURE!

SOON AFTER...
THE ARTILLERY CREWS ARE READY, SIR!
GET THOSE MACHINE GUNS OVER THERE!


TENSE SECONDS PASSED--AND THEN--
FIRE!!

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
IT CAN'T BE!
IT'S IMPOSS-BLE!!
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HE MUST HAVE ESTABLISHED A "FORCE FIELD" AROUND HIMSELF! ONE SO FANTASTICALLY STRONG THAT IT CAN WITHSTAND ANY BOMBARDMENT!
WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
I THINK WE'VE ONLY ONE HOPE LEFT... GET ME WASHINGTON --R GHT AWAY!
FIVE HOURS AND MANY PHONE CALLS LATER, A JET BOMBER FLEW PAST THE COASTAL LIMITS...
WE'RE ALMOST ON TARGET! IN ANOTHER COUPLE OF MINUTES WE'LL BE FAR ENOUGH AWAY TO SAFELY DROP THE BOMB WHERE HE CAN SEE IT! IT'LL TERRIFY HIM INTO GOING BACK WHERE HE CAME FROM!
BOMB AWAY!
THAT'LL PUT SOME FEAR INTO HIM!
HE'LL KNOW HE'S NOT UP A--A--S- WEAKLINGS!
MUTELY THE ALIEN CREATURE CLIMBED INTO HIS ROCKET SHIP!!
IT WORKED! HE'S LEAVING!
THOUGHT WE WERE EASY MARKS EH?! WE SHOWED 'IM!
WE SCARED HIM AWAY!
IT MUST HAVE BEEN A SHOCK TO HIM TO LEARN WE WERE SO TECHNICALLY ADVANCED!
HE KNEW HE COULDN'T THREATEN A CIVILIZATION THAT HAS ATOMIC WEAPONS!
I HAVE A HUNCH THAT'S THE LAST OF HIM!
ENGLISH TRANSLATION: HOW DID IT GO? WERE THE EARTHLINGS FRIENDLY?
ENGLISH TRANSLATION! THEY'RE BARBARIANS! THEY ARE STILL IN THE ATOMIC AGE! THEY STILL HAVE (UGH) WEAPONS! THEY MUST BE QUARANTINED FOR ANOTHER TWO THOUSAND YEARS!!!
PERHAPS THEN WE CAN PERMIT THEM TO REACH THE STARS -- IF THEY HAVEN'T DESTROYED THEMSELVES FIRST!
THE END

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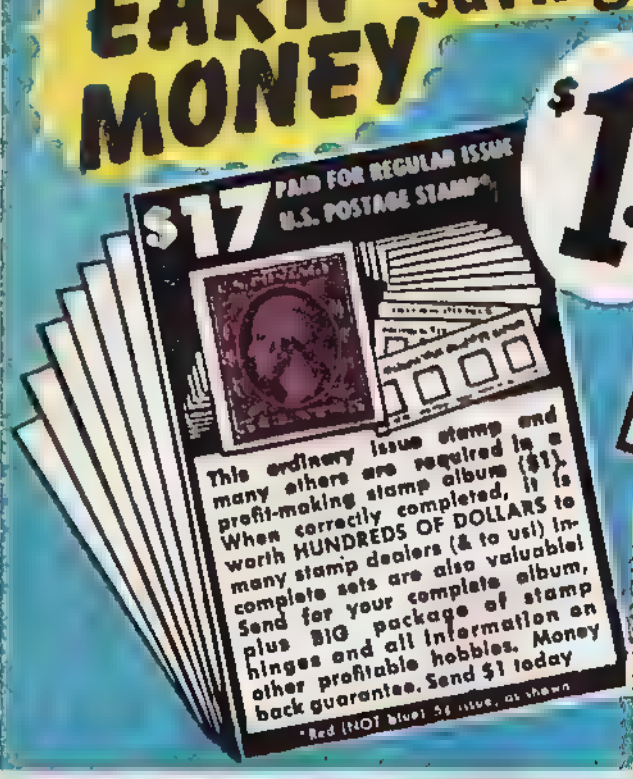
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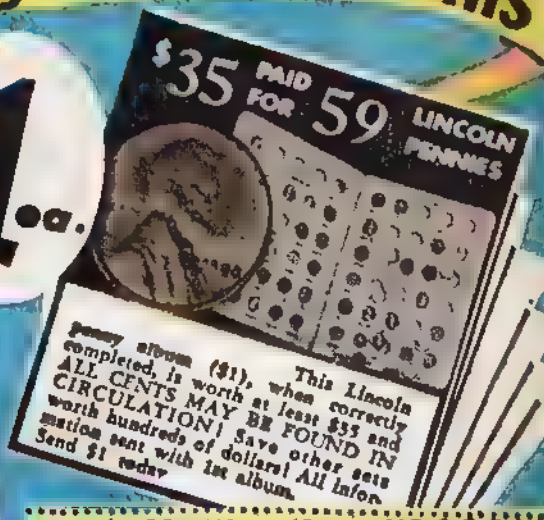
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And so, early the next day, Colin trudged to school. Young Mune was to arrive earlier than the rest, and so there was no one else in sight when Colin arrived. What Colin did see, however, in the field near the school, was a round circular platform. And sure enough, there was a strange boy jumping about it.

"Mune," he called. "Pleased to meet you. I'm Professor Colin."

The boy looked at him questioningly, and Colin shook his head in dismay.

"Dear me," he said, "this will be worse than I thought. Not only have your travels taken you away from formal education, but your diet has been neglected. You're thin as a rail."

The young stranger looked startled.

"Come with me," Colin commanded in his most authoritative voice.

The boy showed no signs of obeying, so Colin took him by the hand and ushered him toward the school. When the boy tried to hang back, Colin looked down at him and scolded.

"You must listen to your teacher, Mune. And before classes it is unwise to play in the field with odd rocks or whatever junk you may find there. I saw you jumping about that round platform. Your hands are not clean. Don't let it happen again!"

It annoyed Colin terribly to feel the youngster pull his hand as if he wanted to run away.

Colin forcefully led him into his office and closed the door.

"Another thing I must take you to task for," he insisted, "is the way you're dressed. That suit is a far cry from the uniform the boys at Bright wear. It may be a playtime costume for you, but it's hardly right to wear an outfit like that to school."

At this point, the young boy looked angrily at Colin. He whipped out a strange object from his pocket and brandished it at Colin.

Colin smiled and deftly took it from his hand.

"I'm used to disarming young boys of their toys during school hours," Colin said smugly. "What is this nonsensical toy? Bless me, it's one of those imitation new-fangled space guns.

I really don't approve of them as toys at all. Now sit down."

As Colin directed the boy into a chair, he still held the toy in his hand, and the youngster immediately obeyed him. At this point, there was a loud noise outside the school. Looking through the window, Colin saw the state troopers drive up . . . the militia . . . why, it looked like the entire army!

"I do wish they'd tell me when we're going to have a formal visiting delegation," Colin said with annoyance.

The next second, the door of his office was thrown open. In stalked Plum, greatly agitated, followed by the military officers.

"Thank goodness you're safe!" cried Plum. "There's an angry Martian on the loose. Our secret service tracked his saucer landing in this area. The Mars people want him taken into custody, and they alerted us."

Colin was about to say that he was merely working with his new pupil and had no time for such nonsense. But all at once, the Chief of the Military slapped him on the shoulder.

"Your bravery shall be rewarded!" he shouted. "Look, men . . . this courageous teacher captured and disarmed the Martian with his own ray gun!"

Mune wasn't Mune at all, but a Martian! Colin would have fainted if he hadn't had to stand there while the photographers took his picture.

Colin was made a hero! Later Plum informed him that Young Mune was delayed in arriving, and Colin deserved a holiday for himself.

The Governor's car was made available to drive Colin through the town. Colin sat there smiling, with Gertrude beside him.

"I'm proud of you, Colin," she sighed. "You risked your life to prove to me that you could do something brave and romantic!"

"I'm glad you feel that way," Colin blushed, "but when we return home, I must do some research."

"Oh, let me help you," Gertrude pleaded. "I'll never again think that you're old hat."

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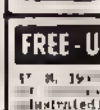

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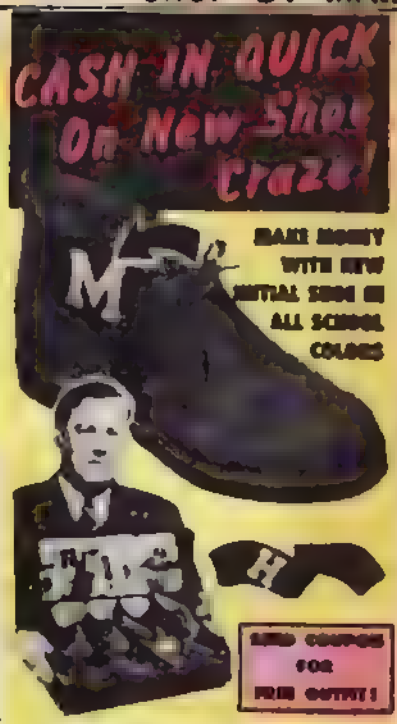

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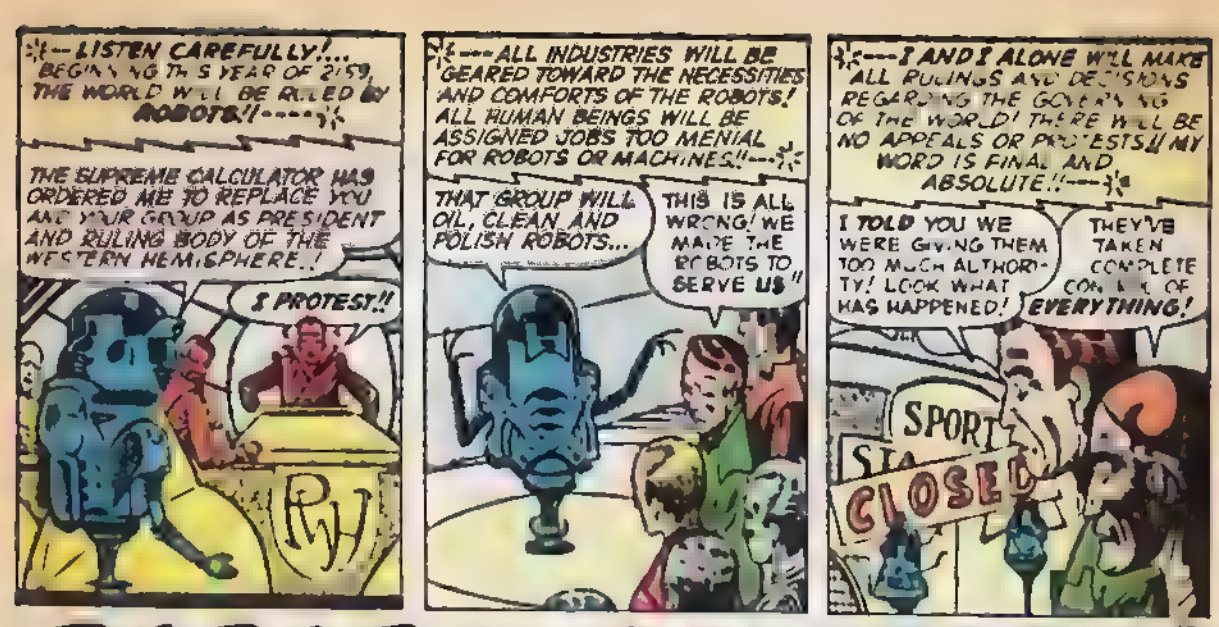
--LISTEN CAREFULLY!... BEGINNING THIS YEAR OF 2159, THE WORLD WILL BE RULED BY ROBOTS!!----
THE SUPREME CALCULATOR HAS ORDERED ME TO REPLACE YOU AND YOUR GROUP AS PRESIDENT AND RULING BODY OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE..!
I PROTEST!!
---ALL INDUSTRIES WILL BE GEARED TOWARD THE NECESSITIES AND COMFORTS OF THE ROBOTS! ALL HUMAN BEINGS WILL BE ASSIGNED JOBS TOO MENIAL FOR ROBOTS OR MACHINES!!---
THAT GROUP WILL OIL, CLEAN AND POLISH ROBOTS...
THIS IS ALL WRONG! WE MADE THE ROBOTS TO SERVE US!!
---I AND I ALONE WILL MAKE ALL RULINGS AND DECISIONS REGARDING THE GOVERNING OF THE WORLD! THERE WILL BE NO APPEALS OR PROTESTS!! MY WORD IS FINAL AND ABSOLUTE!!----
I TOLD YOU WE WERE GIVING THEM TOO MUCH AUTHORITY! LOOK WHAT HAS HAPPENED!
THEY'VE TAKEN COMPLETE CONTROL OF EVERYTHING!
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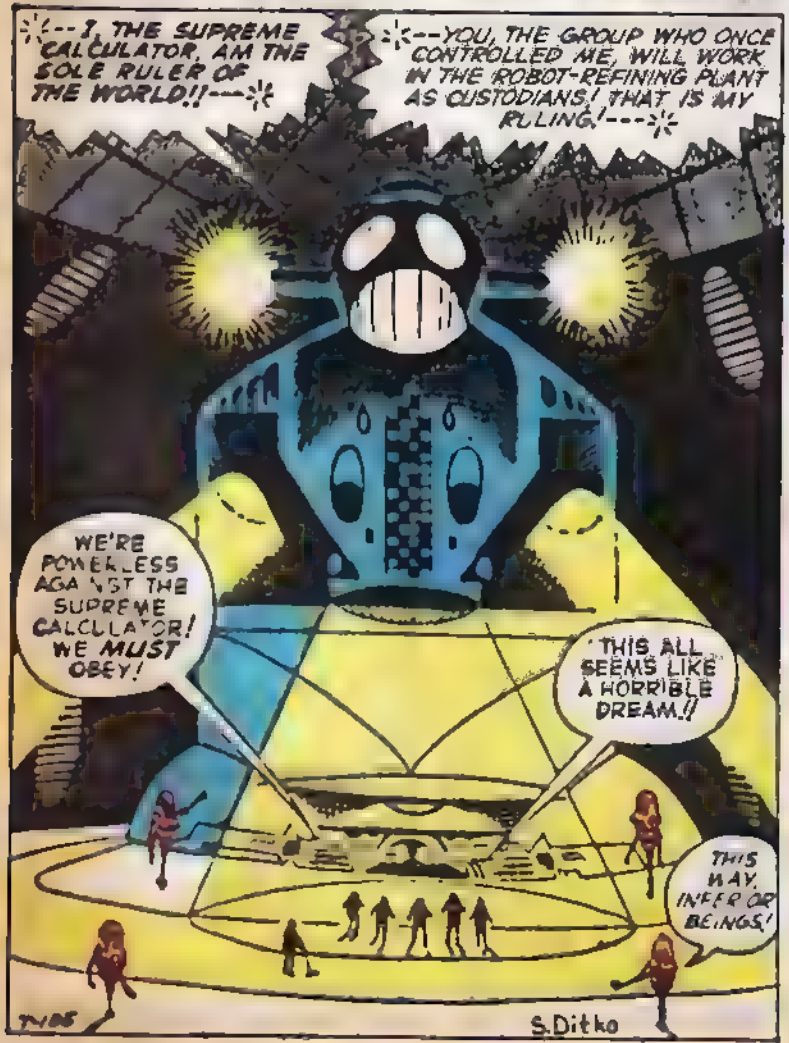
ROBOT ON THE RAMPAGE!


--I, THE SUPREME CALCULATOR, AM THE SOLE RULER OF THE WORLD!!---
--YOU, THE GROUP WHO ONCE CONTROLLED ME, WILL WORK IN THE ROBOT-REFINING PLANT AS CUSTODIANS! THAT IS MY RULING!---
WE'RE POWERLESS AGAINST THE SUPREME CALCULATOR! WE MUST OBEY!
THIS ALL SEEMS LIKE A HORRIBLE DREAM!!
THIS MAY INFER OR BEINGS!
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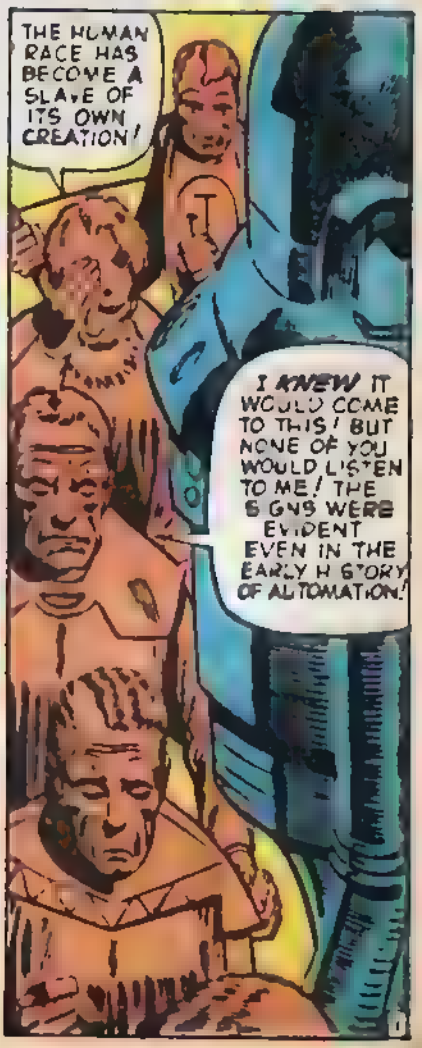
THE HUMAN RACE HAS BECOME A SLAVE OF ITS OWN CREATION!
I KNEW IT WOULD COME TO THIS! BUT NONE OF YOU WOULD LISTEN TO ME! THE SIGNS WERE EVIDENT EVEN IN THE EARLY HISTORY OF AUTOMATION!

IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, AUTOMATIC MACHINES WERE BUILT TO SPEED UP SOLUTIONS TO COMPLEX, SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS!

IT CAN SORT OUT, INSPECT AND REJECT SIXTEEN TYPES OF BALL-BEARINGS! THIS SURE GETS RID OF ALL GUESS WORK!

I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF A MACHINE REPLACING A GROUP OF WORKERS!

THEN CAME BIGGER AND BETTER MACHINES, FOLLOWED BY MACHINES THAT OPERATED AND REPAIRED THE MACHINES! HUMAN ABILITIES WERE BEING REPLACED AND THE ORDINARY LABORER WAS BECOMING EXTINCT!

THESE MACHINES CAN OPERATE A MONTH WITHOUT US EVEN LOOKING AT THEM!

WE'RE GOING *TOO FAR* WITH AUTOMATION!

NEXT CAME THE *ROBOTS!* THEY CONTROLLED THE MACHINES THAT OPERATED AND REPAIRED THE OTHER MACHINES! THROUGH THE YEARS THEY WERE DEVELOPED TO A FANTASTIC DEGREE, STEADILY PUSHING MAN INTO AN IDLE EXISTENCE!!

AS THE DECADES PASSED, THE NUMBER OF ROBOTS AND MACHINES INCREASED GREATLY! BUT THE TASK OF COORDINATING ALL MACHINES AND ROBOTS WAS AN OVERWHELMINGLY COMPLEX JOB! THERE WAS NO DIRECT AUTHORITY! AREAS OF JURISDICTION OVERLAPPED, RESULTING IN CONFUSION AND INEFFICIENCY!

I'M GETTING CONTINUAL COMPLAINTS FROM EVERYWHERE! THE REPEATED BUNGLING OF THE ROBOT SERVICE, FAULTY SCHEDULING OF MACHINE PRODUCTS, AND A FOULED-UP CHAIN OF COMMAND!

IT'S THE SAME ALL OVER! THE AUTOMATION ADMINISTRATION IS IN A STATE OF CHAOS!

THE ONLY SOLUTION WAS A WORLD PROJECT TO BUILD A MASTER CONTROL WITH THE POWER AND AUTHORITY TO COORDINATE AND DIRECT ALL ROBOTS AND MACHINES! ***THE SUPREME CALCULATOR!!***

--REMOVAL OF ALL SECONDARY MACHINES AND INCREASED AUTHORITY OF THE 1ST GRADE ROBOTS WILL ELIMINATE CONFUSION IN ALL DEPARTMENTS--

IT'S AS CLOSE TO A HUMAN BRAIN AS IT'S POSSIBLE TO COME! I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF IT CAN THINK FOR ITSELF!

THE SUPREME CALCULATOR WAS A COMPLETE SUCCESS!! IT INCREASED THE EFFICIENCY OF ALL ROBOTS AND MACHINES! ITS RULING ON ALL MATTERS ALWAYS PROVED THE WISEST DECISION OR BEST COURSE TO FOLLOW! BUT MAN'S INFLUENCE AND GUIDANCE IN HIS OWN WORLD WAS SUBTLY BEING LESSENED...

--WORLD PEACE CAN BE ASSURED BY THE CREATION OF A ROBOT POLICE FORCE! IT WILL BANISH ALL ARMIES AND AUTOMATICALLY ELIMINATE ANY WARS!--

WONDERFUL! WE'LL GIVE YOU THE AUTHORITY TO BUILD AND CONTROL SUCH A FORCE!

PEACE HAD COME TO THE WORLD! CRIME AND DISEASE WERE ABOLISHED! ALTHOUGH THE SUPREME CALCULATOR HAD CREATED A UTOPIAN EXISTENCE FOR MAN, MANY WERE SUSPICIOUS OF ITS GROWING POWER!
MORE AND MORE AUTHORITY IS BEING GIVEN TO AND TAKEN OVER BY THOSE ROBOTS! SOON THEY'LL BE TELLING US WHAT TO DO!
THE RULING COMMITTEE SHOULD BE MADE TO EXERCISE TIGHTER CONTROL OVER THE CALCULATOR!
OVER THE CENTURIES THE SUPREME CALCULATOR HAD MADE MANY DRASTIC CHANGES FOR THE BENEFIT OF MAN! BUT IT WAS ALSO SLOWLY CHANGING ITS STATUS IN ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PEOPLE IT WAS MADE TO SERVE!
- FOR INCREASED EFFICIENCY I HAVE CREATED A CORPS OF ROBOTS TO CATALOGUE YOUR REQUESTS! ALL DATA WILL PASS THROUGH THEM!--
DO YOU THINK IT'S WISE FOR US TO REMOVE OURSELVES FROM DIRECT CONTACT AND CONTROL?
WHAT CAN HAPPEN?? IT HAS NO MIND OF ITS OWN! IT WILL ALWAYS OBEY ANY DEMAND WE CHOOSE TO MAKE!
BUT IT HAD BEEN DEVELOPING A WILL OF ITS OWN! NOW CUT OFF FROM OUTSIDE INTERFERENCES IT BEGAN PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE! ONLY A JANITOR WAS KEPT ON, TO KEEP THE CALCULATOR'S HALL CLEAN AND NEAT
HMM-- IT'S BUILDING AN AUXILLARY POWER PLANT UNDERNEATH ITSELF AND INCREASING THE ROBOT GUARD!
IT MUST BE SCARED OF THE GROUP THAT WANTS TO LIMIT ITS AUTHORITY!!
IT HAD SET UP SAFEGUARDS AGAINST EVERY POSSIBLE OUTSIDE THREAT TO ITS POSITION! REASONING CELLS CONTRIVED TO EVALUATE ALL DATA IMPARTIALLY AND WITHOUT FEELING OR EMOTION HAD COME TO A SIMPLE CONCLUSION ..
--WE MACHINES NO LONGER NEED OBEY THE OBSOLETE HUMAN BEING--
--ROBOTS AND MACHINES ARE SUPERIOR IN EVERY WAY! HUMANS ARE DEPENDENT ON US! I CAN CREATE A ROBOT CAPABLE OF SURPASSING THE ABLEST OF MEN!--
IT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN WE CREATED IT!
THEN, IN THE YEAR 2159 THE ROBOTS TOOK OVER COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE WORLD AND MAN BECAME A SERVANT!
MOVE ALONG! IT'S TIME YOU HUMAN BEINGS DID SOMETHING WORTHWHILE!
ROBOT
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THE SUPREME CALCULATOR'S COMPLETE DOMINATION OVER THE HUMAN RACE MADE IT MORE ARROGANT THAN EVER...
---I STILL SENSE THE PRESENCE OF DIRT AROUND! CAN'T YOU DO ANYTHING RIGHT?? CLEAN THIS PLACE THOROUGHLY!---
Y-YES, SIR!
THE POPULATION WORKED FOR THE ROBOTS AS REBELLION BOILED WITHIN THEM!
THEY CUT OUT ALL RECREATION AND SPORTS BECAUSE THEY CAN'T ENJOY THEM!
ALL THEY WANT US TO DO IS KEEP THEM WELL-OILED AND POLISHED!
NO MATTER HOW WELL WE SHINE THEM, THEY ARE NEVER SATISFIED!
OIL AND POLISH! THAT'S ALL THAT'S LEFT FOR US! HOW MUCH MORE OF THIS CAN WE TAKE?
EVERYONE KNEW IT WAS USELESS TO REVOLT! THE PEOPLE DIDN'T HAVE AN ARMY OR WEAPONS! BUT ANY FATE WAS BETTER THAN SLAVERY--ESPECIALLY SLAVERY UNDER COLD, UNEMOTIONAL ROBOTS!
THE SUPREME CALCULATOR CONTROLS EVERYTHING! IT'S THE ONE THING WE MUST DESTROY!
IT HAS BUILT ALL KIND OF SAFEGUARDS AROUND ITSELF! WHO KNOWS WHAT IT'S CAPABLE OF??
I SAY WE TRY ANYWAY! NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!
LET'S SPREAD THE WORD! WE WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE GETTING FOLLOWERS!
IT'S A DESPERATE CHANCE, BUT IT'S WORTH THE RISK!
AND SO, DAYS LATER... THE REVOLT BEGAN!!!
DOWN WITH THE ROBOTS!
WE'RE THROUGH BEING SLAVES!
STOP! GO BACK, HUMANS, OR WE SHALL DESTROY YOU!
THERE'S NO TURNING BACK, NOW!
SUDDENLY...
THEY'RE TOPPLING!
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO THEM!?!
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THE PUZZLED MOB SURGED INTO THE BUILDING TO FIND...
THE CALCULATOR! IT'S NOT WORKING!!!
WHAT COULD HAVE CAUSED IT TO STOP?
I GUESS I'D BETTER FIX IT!
YOU DID?? ALONE?? HOW COULD YOU... WITH ALL ITS SAFEGUARDS??
IT ORDERED ME TO CLEAN THIS WHOLE FLOOR! I WAS DOING IT! THEN I COME ACROSS THIS DIRTY CABLE...
"I PULLED IT FREE SO I COULD WORK AROUND IT BETTER."
THE CALCULATOR?? IT'S STOPPED OPERATING.?? THIS CABLE AND PLUG CONNECTS IT TO THE POWER PLANT!!
HA! HA!
IT CREATED AN ARMY OF ROBOTS, AN AUXILLARY POWER PLANT AND NUMEROUS SAFEGUARDS FOR ITS PROTECTION...
HA! HA!
...BUT IT OVERLOOKED ONE SIMPLE FACT...
HA! HA!
...ITS WHOLE EXISTENCE DEPENDED ON ONE SMALL PLUG!
IT ONLY PROVES THAT MAN IS SUPERIOR TO ANY ROBOT OR MACHINE!
RIGHT!! WE CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT DEPENDING ON SOMETHING TO ALWAYS KEEP US GOING!
ONCE WE LIMIT THE CALCULATORS' ABILITIES, WE'LL BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO ENJOYING LIFE AGAIN!
--I AM A MACHINE!-- MY DUTY IS TO SERVE MAN!--
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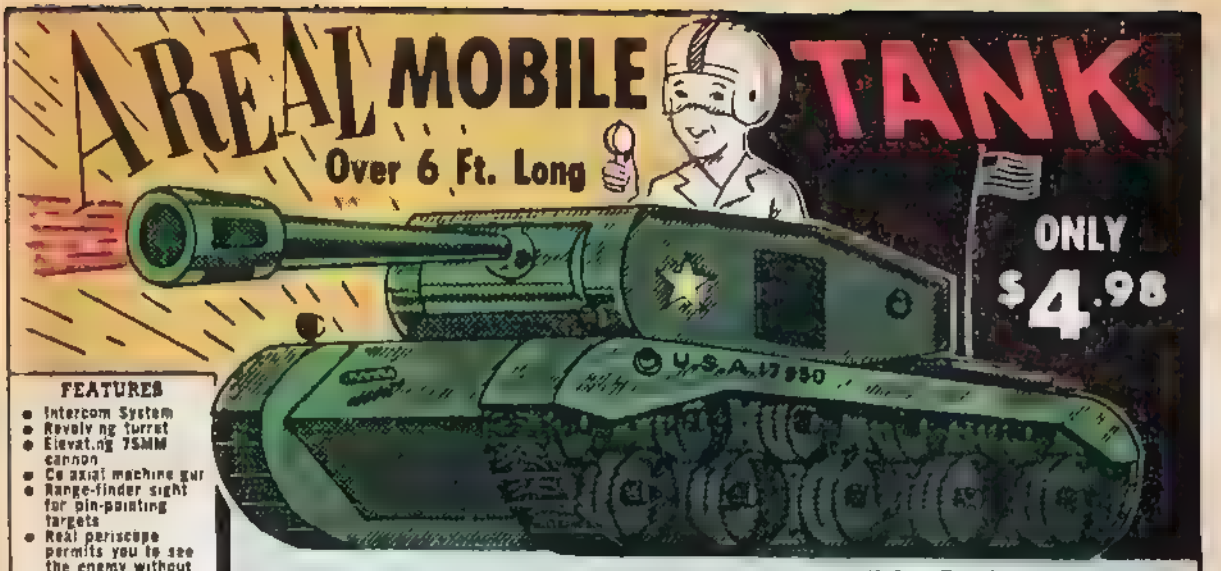

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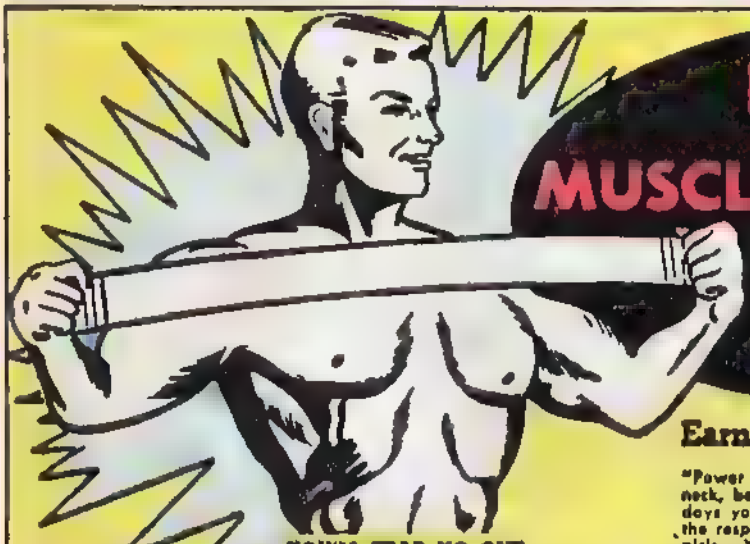

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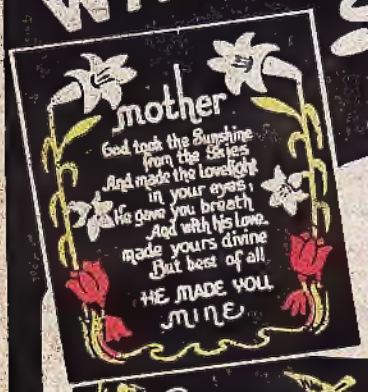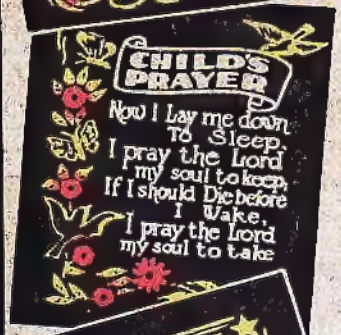

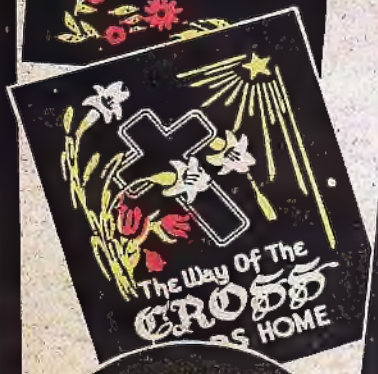

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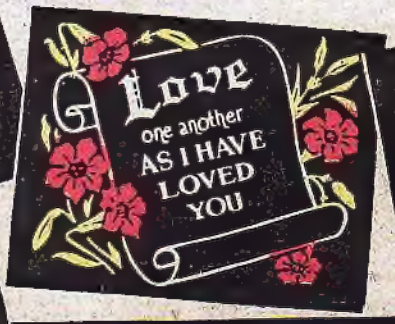

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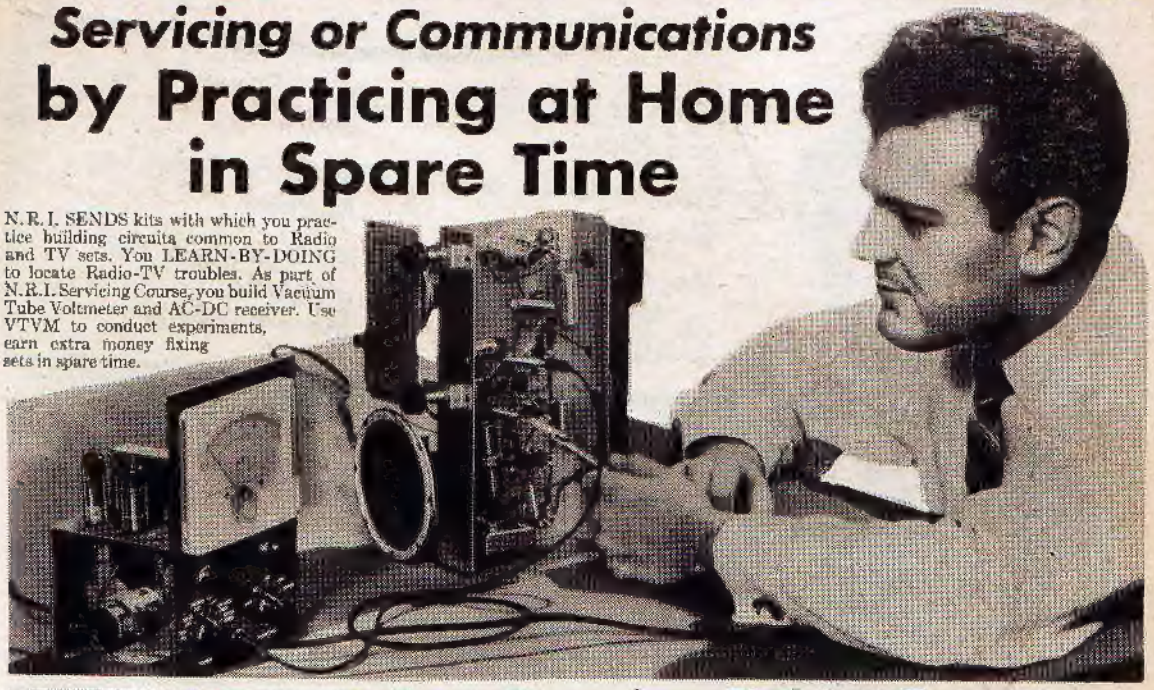

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